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Mirkin, et al.

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Sir:

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1. Oldenburg, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,344,272 B1, issued on 02-05-2002.
2. West, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,428,811 B1, issued on 08-06-2002.
3. West, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,530,944 B2, issued on 03-11-2003.

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4. Natan, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,579,721 B1, issued 06-17-2003.
5. West, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,645,517 B2, issued 11-11-2003.
6. Halas, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,660,381 B2, issued 12-09-2003.
7. West, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,685,730 B2, issued 02-03-2004.
8. Oldenburg, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,685,986 B2, issued 02-03-2004.
9. West, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,699,724 B1, issued 03-02-2004.
10. Halas, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,778,316 B2, issued 08-17-2004.
11. Halas, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,852,252 B2, issued 02-08-2005.
12. Moran, et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,875,475 B2, issued 04-05-2005.

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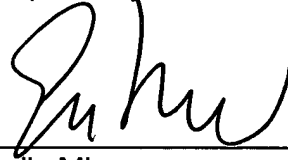
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Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

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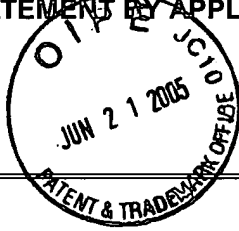
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